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1. Following the advent of the Communist regime, all Rumanian sports associations were dissolved and replaced by the government-controlled sportul Popular, organized on a national basis. In addition to sections devoted to normal civilian sports, a special section was created to promote target practice with firearms. Only persons recommended by PMR (Partidul Muncitoresc Roman-Rumanian Workers Party) were admitted to membership in this section. Instruction was put in the hands of Soviet officers, who also controlled the storage and issue of weapons.
2. The pre-war Association of Rumanian Hunters has been reorganized by the Communist Government as a kind of adjunct to the gendarmerie, and placed under the leadership of Vasile Luca, Minister of Finance. The Association has been assigned the task of organizing weekly hunts through the Carpathian mountains with the purpose of finding any nationalist elements in opposition to the Government which may take refuge thereto.

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